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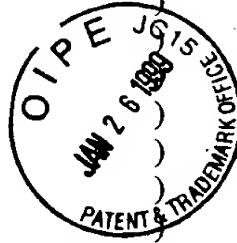
In re Patent Application of

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For: ENHANCED PRODUCTION OF TAXOL AND TAXANES BY CELL  
CULTURES OF *TAXUS* SPECIES



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**SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants would like to bring the documents listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449 to the attention of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office for use by the Examiner during prosecution of the subject application.

The subject application is a continuation-in-part application of International Application PCT/US97/08907, designating the U.S., filed May 27, 1997, and a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 08/653,036, filed May 24, 1996, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 08/370,494, filed January 9, 1995, which is a divisional of U.S. Serial No. 07/874,344, now U.S. Patent No. 5,407,816, filed April 24, 1992, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 07/839,144, filed February 20, 1992.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2), copies of the documents are enclosed for the Examiner's convenience. Further for the Examiner's convenience, Applicants would like to note that a portion of the document by M.S. Reid entitled "The Functioning of Hormones in Plant Growth and Development: Ethylene in Plant Growth, Development, and Senescence" was previously filed in the subject application with the Information Disclosure Statement dated

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**Second Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement**

September 15, 1998. In the filing of September 15, 1998, this document was erroneously reported to be titled "The Role of Ethylene."

Consideration of the enclosures and the prompt return of a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 with the Examiner's initials in the left column, per MPEP 609, are earnestly solicited. Applicants do not concede that any or all of the information provided herein is material to patentability of any claim in the subject application. Applicants do not concede that all of these documents represent prior art to the subject application.

This Information Disclosure Statement is believed to be submitted before the mailing of a first Office Action. Therefore, no fees are believed due as a result of this filing. However, if the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office determines that fees are due upon the filing of this IDS, please charge such fees to undersigned's Deposit Account Number 02-0375.

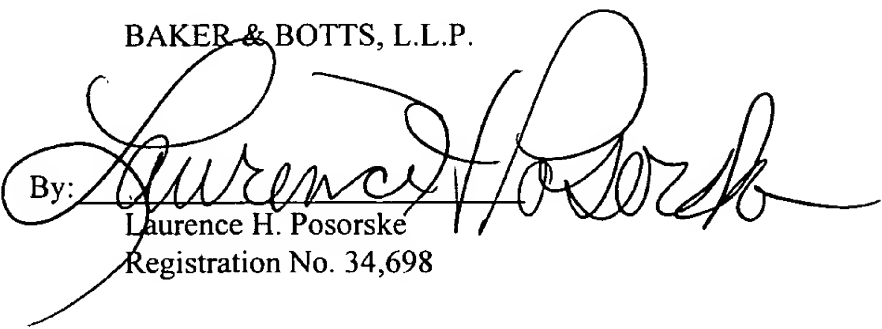
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